co-passengers. A case under Section 392 and 34 Indian Penal Code was registered at Kalyan Railway Police Station. The accused Santosh Kashinath Mane, Vithal Babu Jadhav and Babya Hirarnan Mane, have been arrested and property worth Rs. 310 recovered.

(c) The present rules do not provide for compensation for loss suffered by passengers on luggage being carried by them in their custody.

(d) The Ministry of Railways have informed that no laxity has been found.

Sale of Bangladesh girls

2472. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that at New Seemapuri, Delhi, a nourishing trade of selling Bangladeshi young girls to touts is going on openly and with the knowledge of police authorities concerned;

(b) whether it is a lact that a young beautiful girl is sold for Rs. 500/- under the pretext of marriage, but is sent to Pakistan through Amritsar;

(c) whether Government are aware of the case of a giri named 'MARIAM', who was forcibly taken into the ilcsh, trade by touts and afterwards sold to the flesh trade markets in Agra;

(d) if so, what are the reasons for the inability of the police authorities concerned in stopping this illicit trade;

(e) what action has so far been takenor is proposed to be Isken in respect of various news items in newspapers in this regard: and

(f) what remedial measures are con templated to completely eradicate this evil not only from the Capital, but from the entire country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) No such incident has either been reported or has come to the notice of the local Police.

(b) and (c) Delhi Police is not aware of any such incident.

(d) The veracity of the news-item ap pearing in a Bengali daily dated 2nd & 3rd Nov 1987, has been checked up by the Delhi Police. The persons finding mention in the news-item were contacted. They have stated that there is no truth behind the news-item.

(e) and (f) Division and beat patrolling staff have been directed to maintain vigil in hte area and to deploy 'sources' for the collection of intelligence in this regard. Prompt legal action is taken as and when any such complaint is iCceived.

Assam Rifles

2473. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

SHRI M. A. BABY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assam Rifles has been grouped among the Central Police Orga-nisation by the Central Fourth Pay Commission; if so, what are the reasons for not giving identical pay and allowances to them; and

(b) whether it is a faet that specially skilled personnel like Cipher Clerical/ Medical/Signal have been grouped among unskilled general duty personnel and have not been given equivalent grades and status of their counterparts in CPOs as that of SI/ASI; if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) The Fourth Pay Commission had grouped the Assam Rifles, the Border Security Force the Central Reserve Police Force, the Indo Tibetan Border Police and the Central Industrial Security Force as Central Orga-nisations (CPOs) and took the view that all